## **VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Claims 16 and 17 have been added.

Claim 13 has been amended as follows:

13. (Twice Amended) A semiconductor device having a semiconductor chip, 1 2 first electrodes formed on said semiconductor chip, 3 barrier metals formed on said first electrodes and having laminated structures, and a plurality of second protruded electrodes, which serve as external connection terminals, 4 5 formed on said barrier metals, wherein said barrier metals comprising: a lowermost conductive metal layer laminated on said first electrodes, said lowermost 6 7 conductive metal layer having a comparatively good joining property with said first electrodes; 8 an intermediate conductive metal layer laminated on said lowermost conductive metal 9 layer, said intermediate conductive metal layer comprising one or more layers and having a 10 comparatively good joining property with said lowermost conductive metal layer, said intermediate 11 conductive metal layer having at least one layer serving as a barrier layer for preventing said 12 protruded electrodes from diffusing into said intermediate conductive metal layer; and 13 an uppermost conductive metal layer laminated on said one or more intermediate 14 conductive metal layers, said uppermost conductive metal layer being made of a material which 15 easily alloys with the material of said intermediate conductive metal layers and which has good 16 resistance to oxidation.